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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF NEVADA

GLENN DEWEESE and JOSHUA
HOLTOM, on behalf of themselves and all
others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

ITS NATIONAL, LLC; and DOES 1 through
50, inclusive,

Defendants.

Case No.: 3:18-cv-00375-MMD-WGC

STIPULATED PROTECTIVE ORDER

In order to protect the confidentiality of confidential, private, and personal information obtained by the parties in connection with this case, Plaintiffs GLENN DEWEESE and JOSHUA HOLTOM and Defendant ITS NATIONAL, LLC hereby agree to the entry of this Stipulated Protective Order, by which the parties agree, and the Court finds, pursuant to FRCP 26(c), that good cause exists to support the entry of a protective order over the discovery and dissemination of certain information deemed confidential by any of the parties. This Stipulated Protective Order will expedite the disclosure of information and production of documents protected by privilege or statutes, preserve the confidentiality of such information, protect privacy interests of the parties and non-parties, and help to avoid potential discovery disputes related to information that is designated confidential. Accordingly the parties submit this Stipulated Protective Order for the approval and enforcement of the Court and hereby stipulate as follows:

GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. In this action, at least one of the parties has sought and/or is seeking discovery of

1 Confidential Material (as defined in paragraph 5 below). This Protective Order shall apply to all
2 documents, materials, and information that is sought by a party either from other parties to this
3 litigation or from any third party with possession or custody of Confidential Material during discovery,
4 including without limitation, documents produced, answers to interrogatories, responses to requests
5 for admission, deposition testimony, and other information disclosed pursuant to the disclosure or
6 discovery duties created by the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The parties assert that the disclosure
7 of Confidential Material outside the scope of this litigation could result in significant injury to one or
8 more of the parties' business or privacy interests, and/or could result in significant injury to a third
9 party's privacy interests, as well as potentially impacting or resulting in the inadvertent waiver of the
10 attorney-client privilege. The parties have entered into this Stipulation and request the Court enter this
11 Protective Order for the purpose of preventing the disclosure and use of Confidential Material except
12 as set forth herein, and to prevent the inadvertent waiver of any applicable privilege.

12 2. As used in this Protective Order, "document" is defined as designated in FRCP
13 34(a)(1)(A). A draft or non-identical copy is a separate document within the meaning of this term.

14 3. This Protective Order may be modified by the Court at any time for good cause shown
15 following notice to all parties and an opportunity for them to be heard.

16 4. Nothing in this Protective Order shall prevent any party or other person from seeking
17 modification of this Order, from objecting to discovery that the party or other person believes to be
18 improper, or from filing a motion with respect to the manner in which Confidential Material shall be
19 treated at trial. Moreover, nothing in this Protective Order shall prejudice the right of any party to
20 contest the alleged relevancy, admissibility, or discoverability of information designated as
21 Confidential Material or information sought in discovery.

22 **CONFIDENTIAL MATERIAL**

23 5. "Confidential Material" means those documents, personal information, trade secrets,
24 or sensitive commercial information that the designating party believes to be protected by law,
25 including FRCP 26, and is designated by one of the parties in the manner provided in paragraph 15
26 below, the disclosure of which the designating party believes may implicate the privacy interests of
27 Plaintiffs, Defendant, third parties and/or information contained in confidential business records and
28 communications by the designating party or a third party with possession or custody of such
information. Any information designated by a party as confidential will first be reviewed by counsel,

1 and designation will be based on a good faith belief that the information is confidential and entitled to
2 protection under the law, including Rule 26. The documents or information so designated shall be
3 deemed "Confidential Material" subject to this Protective Order. Confidential Material does not
4 include (a) any information that is in the public domain at the time of disclosure to a Receiving Party
5 or becomes part of the public domain after its disclosure to a Receiving Party as a result of publication
6 not involving a violation of this Order, including becoming part of the public record through trial or
7 otherwise; and (b) any information known to the Receiving Party prior to the disclosure or obtained
8 by the Receiving Party after the disclosure from a source who obtained the information lawfully and
9 was not under any obligation of confidentiality to the Designating Party.

10 6. Exercise of Restraint and Care in Designating Material for Protection. Each party or
11 non-party that designates information or items for protection under this Protective Order must take
12 care to limit any such designation to specific material that qualifies under the appropriate standards.
13 The Designating Party must designate for protection only those pages of a document which qualify as
14 Confidential Material, in order to avoid sweeping an entire document unjustifiably within the ambit
15 of this Protective Order, where only some pages contain Confidential Material. Indiscriminate
16 designations of confidentiality are inconsistent with this Protective Order. If it comes to a Designating
17 Party's attention that information or items that it designated for protection do not qualify for
18 protection, that Designating Party must promptly notify all other parties that it is withdrawing the
19 mistaken designation.

20 7. Confidential Material shall not be disclosed to any person or entity not a party to this
21 lawsuit except as expressly provided herein. Confidential Material shall only be used by the parties in
22 this lawsuit, including any appeal. Confidential Material shall not be disclosed to any person or entity
23 other than the parties to this suit, counsel who have entered an appearance in this case and their staff,
24 judges, magistrates, law clerks and other clerical personnel of the Court before which the action is
25 pending, and other individuals as designated in paragraph 10 of this Protective Order.

26 8. Any Confidential Material produced during the course of this action shall be used
27 solely for the purposes of this action between the parties in this suit only, and shall not be disclosed
28 or used for any other purpose including, but not limited to, any business, commercial, competitive, or
publicity purpose. All obligations and duties arising under this Protective Order shall survive the
conclusion of this action.

1 9. Nothing herein shall prevent disclosure beyond the terms of this Protective Order if
2 this Court, after notice to all affected parties, orders such disclosure.

3 10. It shall be the responsibility of counsel to take reasonable and proper steps to ensure
4 that this Protective Order and all provisions hereof are made known to any person who shall examine
5 Confidential Material as provided herein. Counsel to the parties are required to advise, instruct, and
6 supervise all associates, staff and employees to keep designated Confidential Material confidential in
7 the strictest possible fashion. Counsel and the parties also agree to the same treatment of the
8 information by themselves, and counsel will appropriately instruct their clients as to the protected
9 nature of the information produced pursuant to this Protective Order, including the limitations on its
10 use and disclosure.

11 11. Given its confidential status, all Confidential Material, including any and all copies
12 thereof, shall be kept by counsel, and any person to whom it is provided, in an appropriately safe place.
13 Except as otherwise provided, access to any Confidential Material shall be limited solely to the
14 following persons:

15 a. Counsel for the parties and their staff, including associates, legal assistants, and
16 paralegals other support employees who have a demonstrable need for such Confidential Material for
17 purposes of this litigation;

18 b. Outside vendors retained by counsel for the parties, including messenger, copy, coding,
19 and other clerical services, including document processing and conversion, archiving and database
20 services, electronic data processing firms and personnel, translators, and interpreters;

21 c. Plaintiffs, Defendant, whether third party or otherwise, and any officers, directors,
22 agents, or employees of Plaintiffs and Defendant who have a need for such Confidential Material
23 disclosure for purposes of this litigation;

24 d. The author or recipient of a document containing the Confidential Material, or a
25 custodian or other person who otherwise possessed or knew the information;

26 e. The Court and persons employed by the Court, including jury personnel and
27 stenographers transcribing the testimony or argument at a hearing, trial, or deposition in this action,
28 or any appeal therefrom;

 f. With the exception of witnesses while testifying at trial, or persons who either authored
or previously received Confidential Material, such information may be disclosed to other persons not

1 authorized by this Protective Order only with the mutual agreement in writing between and among
2 counsel for the Parties, or on the record in deposition or hearing, in advance of any disclosure to such
3 person.

4 12. All copies, excerpts, or summaries made, shown or given to those authorized hereby
5 and according to the provisions hereof shall be stamped to indicate the protected and confidential
6 nature of the disclosed information. Review of Confidential Material by counsel, experts, or
7 consultants for the litigation will not constitute any waiver of the confidentiality of the document or
8 of any objections to production. The inadvertent, unintentional, or in camera disclosure of Confidential
9 Material shall not, under any circumstances, be deemed a waiver, in whole or in part, of any claims of
10 confidentiality.

11 13. All documents submitted to the Court which attach, quote from, or refer to Confidential
12 Materials shall be electronically filed under seal with reference to this Protective Order to ensure that
13 the documents are protected as set forth in this Protective Order. Unless otherwise permitted by
14 statute, rule, or prior court order, documents filed with the Court under seal shall be accompanied by
15 a contemporaneous motion for leave to file those documents under seal, and shall be filed consistent
16 with the Court's electronic filing procedures in accordance with Local Rule IA 10-5. Notwithstanding
17 any agreement among the parties, the party seeking to file a paper under seal bears the burden of
18 overcoming the presumption in favor of public access to papers filed in court. See *Kamakana v. City*
19 *& Cty. of Honolulu*, 447 F.2d 1172 (9th Cir. 2006); *Pintos v. Pac. Creditors Ass'n*, 605 F.3d 665, 677-
20 78 (9th Cir. 2010). In the event the Court refuses to allow the filing under seal of such information
21 designated as Confidential Material, a party shall still be permitted to file such information, but it will
22 continue to be treated as confidential in all other respects. The Court's ruling shall not preclude the
23 filing of the document, or otherwise affect the confidentiality designation.

24 14. If, through inadvertence, a party provides any documents or information containing
25 Confidential Material without designating the material as such, the party may subsequently inform the
26 other parties in writing of the Confidential Material status of the documents or information. The parties
27 in receipt of that inadvertently disclosed Confidential Material shall thereafter treat the disclosed
28 material as Confidential Material in accordance with the written notification of the inadvertent
disclosure. The parties in receipt of the inadvertently disclosed Confidential Material shall take
reasonable steps to advise persons to whom disclosure was made prior to receipt of a Confidential

1 Material designation and of this Protective Order, but shall not otherwise be required to retrieve or
2 take any action to protect the confidentiality of information or copies of documents disclosed prior to
3 the receipt of the Confidential Material designation. If a party produces any documents or information
4 that is not designated as Confidential Material and which another party believes is subject to
5 designation as Confidential Material, the receiving party may designate the material as Confidential
6 Material by notifying the other parties of the designation, and if any other party disagrees with the
7 designation, it may follow the procedures set forth in Paragraph 15. If a party inadvertently produces
8 documents which are subject to the attorney-client privilege or work product protection, the parties
9 shall follow the procedures set forth in Fed. R. Evid. 502 and FRCP 26(b)(5)(B).

10 15. Where Confidential Material is produced, provided, or otherwise disclosed by a party
11 in response to any discovery request, it will be designated in one of the following manners:

12 a. By imprinting the word “Confidential” on each confidential page of any document
13 produced (in a manner that will not interfere with their legibility);

14 b. By imprinting the word “Confidential” next to or above any response to a discovery
15 request; and

16 c. With respect to transcribed testimony, whenever a deposition involves the disclosure
17 of Confidential Material, the confidential portions thereof shall be designated as Confidential and
18 subject to this Protective Order. Such designation may be made on the record during the deposition,
19 but must also be made by giving written notice to opposing counsel designating by page and line
20 number which portions are “Confidential” no later than 21 calendar days after receipt of the
21 transcribed testimony. During the 21-day period, counsel for the parties shall treat the entire transcript
22 as if it had been designated as “Confidential.”

23 16. A party may object to the designation of particular documents as Confidential Material
24 by giving written notice to the party designating the disputed information. The written notice shall
25 identify the information to which the objection is made. The objection to a designation as Confidential
26 Material may be raised at any time; a party does not waive its right to challenge a confidentiality
27 designation by electing not to mount a challenge immediately after the original designation is
28 disclosed.

All counsel shall then make a reasonable, good-faith effort to resolve any discovery dispute
without the need for judicial intervention in accordance with FRCP 26(c)(1) and FRCP 37(a)(1). If

1 those discussions are not fruitful, it will be the obligation of the party designating the information as
2 Confidential to arrange a telephone conference with the Court in accordance with the Court's Civil
3 Practice Standards. At the conclusion of the Court-supervised conference, if the dispute over
4 confidentiality has not been resolved, it will be the obligation of the party designating the information
5 as Confidential to file an appropriate motion within ten additional days after the date of the conference,
6 requesting that the Court determine whether the disputed information should be subject to the terms
7 of this Protective Order. If such a motion is timely filed, the disputed information shall be treated as
8 Confidential under the terms of this Protective Order until the Court rules on the motion. In connection
9 with any motion filed under this provision, the party designating the information as confidential shall
10 bear the burden of establishing that good cause exists for the disputed information to be treated as
11 confidential.

12 17. The termination of this action shall not relieve counsel or other persons obligated
13 hereunder from their responsibility to maintain the confidentiality of designated Confidential Material
14 or pursuant to this Protective Order, and the Court shall retain continuing jurisdiction to enforce the
15 terms of this Protective Order.

16 18. Sixty days after the termination of this litigation, including any appeals, or at the
17 expiration of any longer time required by counsel's insurance or ethical obligations, counsel for any
18 party that has received Confidential Material shall destroy the Confidential Material. Notwithstanding
19 this provision, Counsel are entitled to retain an archival copy of all pleadings, motion papers, trial,
20 deposition, and hearing transcripts, legal memoranda, correspondence, deposition and trial exhibits,
21 expert reports, attorney work product, and consultant and expert work product, even if such materials
22 contain Confidential Material. Any such archival copies that contain or constitute Confidential
23 Material remain subject to this Protective Order

24 19. This Protective Order is not intended to address the admissibility of evidence at trial.
25 If a party seeks to limit the publication of Confidential Material at the trial or any hearing in this
26 matter, the burden shall be on the party seeking to limit the use of such information to obtain relief
27 from the Court in advance of the trial or hearing.
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20. If documents or information designated as Confidential Material in accordance with the terms of this Protective Order are made exhibits to briefs or pleadings, or if Confidential Material is quoted in a pleading, any such exhibit or pleading shall be filed under seal.

DATED this 17th day of October, 2018.

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ORDER

Paragraph 13 is also governed by *Center for Auto Safety v. Chrysler Group, LLC*, 809 F.3d 1092, 1097 (9th Cir. 2016).

Paragraph 17 is modified to reflect that although the parties may agree to be bound by the confidentiality terms of this Order beyond the conclusion of this lawsuit, the dismissal of this action will terminate the jurisdiction of this court.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: October 18, 2018.



UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE